

adored, Nicole Robinson (Jafar), and Edris Robinson-Dupard (Joseph), Kimberly Robinson, and Eddie Robinson, Jr. Octavia is also survived by 10 grandchildren, and one great grandchild.

Octavia's legacy will forever be "No One Left Behind". Octavia was all about family. She took in and cared for many around the world. Her love and caring ways for all will forever live on.

NAIARAH VELASQUEZ

**HON. ED PERLMUTTER**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, March 7, 2022*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Naiarah Velasquez for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award.

Naiarah Velasquez is a student at Arvada West High School and received this award because her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Naiarah Velasquez is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Naiarah Velasquez for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassador for Youth award. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of her future accomplishments.

RECOGNIZING COLLEGE  
SETTLEMENT SUMMER CAMP

**HON. BRIAN K. FITZPATRICK**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, March 7, 2022*

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize a remarkable non-profit organization in my district, the College Settlement Summer Camp. Founded in Horsham, Pennsylvania, College Settlement works to shape the lives of underserved young people and instill in them a respect for self, others, and the natural world. Their mission to deliver a unique, growth-focused camp experience has improved the lives of countless boys and girls. In neighborhoods and communities that are often divided, College Settlement offers an invaluable sense of belonging. The camp's commitment to public service, inclusion, and affordable programming is admirable, and this year, as they celebrate 100 years of connecting our children to the outdoors, we express our appreciation for the impact that College Settlement Summer Camp has had on Bucks and Montgomery counties and the greater Philadelphia area.

ENCOURAGING SECURE SUPPLY  
CHAINS FOR CRITICAL MINERALS

**HON. MICHAEL K. SIMPSON**

OF IDAHO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, March 7, 2022*

Mr. SIMPSON. Madam Speaker, I rise today on behalf of myself and Congressman RUSS FULCHER to express grave concern with the vulnerability of supply chains and the long-term implications if we do not act now to develop a secure supply chain of critical minerals. In light of the aggression shown by our adversaries, supply chain security is more important than ever.

Our Nation is at a crossroads—Russia has invaded Ukraine. At the same time, China continues to use economic coercion to control global markets and shape countries' political decisions. With Congress' support, this Administration must take drastic and targeted measures to ensure our nation takes the right path to advance U.S. competitiveness and maintain a strong position in domestic and foreign markets, including critical minerals production.

Critical minerals are vital to the emerging technologies that will underpin the future economic well-being and prosperity of this Nation. In recognition of these important minerals, under President Trump, the Department of Interior developed a list of 35 critical minerals, a process that Congress later codified. That list, just last week, expanded to 50. Our home state of Idaho is rich in many of these minerals—some of which are fundamental to energy and national security applications—such as antimony and cobalt.

Antimony and cobalt serve as critical components in grid storage batteries, and other electrification implements essential to providing reliable energy sources to American homes and businesses. In addition to its energy contribution, antimony serves as a critical component of ammunition, armaments, and other national security platforms. Although these minerals serve as essential components in highly utilized U.S. products, 53 percent of antimony comes from China, and another 23 percent comes from Russia. Most cobalt is sourced from the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC), where the Chinese government has subsidized companies that engage in non-transparent practices, dominate the industry, and undermine the prosperity and rights of the Congolese.

Aside from mineral production, Idaho is responsible for cutting-edge mineral research. We are proud to be the home of the Idaho National Lab, the nation's premier nuclear energy laboratory, whose research is paramount to any future clean energy strategy. Unfortunately, the Biden Administration chose to remove uranium from the critical minerals list, which leaves the nation's nuclear fleet even more reliant on Russian fuel.

As tensions rise with Russia and the potential of additional sanctions loom, China will look to take advantage of the void left by Russia's isolation in the market. While we need to take strong actions on Russia, the reality is that we source many of our raw minerals from them. As we tighten our grip on their financial system and exports, we must prioritize domestic sourcing and reduce our reliance on countries like Russia and China.

The time is now for this Administration to take real action to prioritize a strong domestic

supply chain for these essential minerals. We do not want to compromise any of our environmental or other standards. We are simply calling on the Administration to prioritize the timely completion of the permits of currently proposed projects so we may take back control of a fundamental piece of many of our essential industries: critical minerals production.

HONORING THE CAREER OF DEB  
SCHULTZ

**HON. JIM BANKS**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, March 7, 2022*

Mr. BANKS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Deb Schultz of Noble County, who is retiring this week from the Noble County clerk's office after 22 years of service.

Deb has served Noble County with excellence. As Deputy Clerk, Deb's primary responsibility was helping oversee elections. Processing new voter registration, communicating with state election officials, monitoring poll workers, and more, she's been the resident expert to which many have looked up and relied on in Noble County for the last two-plus decades.

Deb deserves special praise for her efforts in Fall 2020, which she described as having been "very difficult." Tasked with having to approve and process hundreds of mail-in ballots and navigating the upending of other standard operating procedures, Deb nonetheless successfully oversaw the election's administration which Noble County residents agree was safe and secure.

During her tenure as Deputy Clerk, many county clerks came and went, all of whom relied heavily on Deb's expertise and ability. She leaves behind a legacy that will not soon be forgotten and which has left an indelible mark on the community. As she closes this chapter of her life and begins a new one, I wish Deb the best and thank her for her commitment to Noble County and to the continuity of American democracy.

VAN HMUNG

**HON. ED PERLMUTTER**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, March 7, 2022*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Van Hmung for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award.

Van Hmung is a student at Arvada West High School and received this award because his determination and hard work have allowed him to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Van Hmung is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Van Hmung for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassador for Youth award. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication